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MUTANT BARNASE GENE AND TRANSGENIC PLANT TRANSFORMED BY SAID GENE

REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

MS AF

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 23, 2003, the due date for Reply having been extended three (3) months to July 23, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes an amended claim set and Remarks.

The amendments presented herein comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" as set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated February 25, 2003. In accordance with the Notice, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) are waived.